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BUFFALO, THURSDAY, AUGUST 18, 1859.

First Assembly District.

The Republican electors of the First Assembly District, in the city of Buffalo, are requested to send two delegates from each of the wards composing said district to a District Convention, to be held at the Mansion House, on Tuesday, the 23d inst., at 9 o'clock P. M., for the purpose of electing two delegates to attend the State Convention, to be held at Syracuse, on the 7th day of September next, at 12 o'clock noon.

H. P. THAYER,
JACOB WEIL,
District Committee.

Second Assembly District.

The Republican electors of the Second Assembly District, in the city of Buffalo, are requested to send two delegates from each of the Wards in said Assembly District, to a District Convention, to be held at the American Hotel, on Tuesday, the 23d inst., at 9 o'clock P. M., for the purpose of appointing two delegates to the State Convention, to be held at Syracuse, on the 7th day of September next, at 12 o'clock noon.

WARREN GRANGER, President.
JAS. D. WARREN,
Secretary of last Convention.

Ward Meetings.

The Republican electors of the several wards in the city of Buffalo, are requested to meet in their respective wards at the places below designated, on Monday, the 21st inst., at 7½ o'clock P. M., for the purpose of electing two delegates to attend the District Conventions, to be held (for the First Assembly District) at the Mansion House, and (for the Second Assembly District) at the American Hotel, on Tuesday, the 23d inst., at 9 o'clock P. M. Also to elect two persons in each ward to serve as a Ward Committee, and also two persons in each ward as members of the City Committee

1st Ward—Commercial Hotel
2d Ward—Franklin House
3d Ward—Crowley's Tavern
4th Ward—Old Court House
5th Ward—John Schlatter, corner Clinton and Hickory streets
6th Ward—Lorenz Gilligs, (Gilligs' Hall)
7th Ward—Reiter's Hall, corner Goodell and Cherry streets
8th Ward—Geo. Smith's, corner Mechanic and Terrace streets
9th Ward—North American Hotel, corner Niagara and Virginia streets.
10th Ward—Peter Bieber's, Junction Tupper and Carolina streets
11th Ward—Reader's Hall Niagara street
12th Ward—Connert Hall, Black Rock Dam.
13th "C. Hussell's Hall, Seneca street

H. P. THAYER,
Chairman Republican City Committee.

Buffalo, August 16th, 1859.

The Tight Rope Performers.

BLONDIN'S CROSSING AT THE FALLS WITH A MAN UPON HIS BACK.—All the feats, wonderful and startling as they have been, that Blondin has heretofore performed at the Falls, were so entirely cast into the shade by his incredible performance yesterday as to seem trifling and insignificant. His unrealized promise to carry a man across the chasm upon his back was kept to the letter and none of the previous accidents resulted from the fearful undertaking. Blondin first crossed from the American side alone, performing during the passage most of the daring feats described on account of it occurring in the 3d inst. After a short rest on the Canadian shore, he started on his return with M. Colcord, his Agent, clinging to his back. From his shoulders two rope cords were suspended by his side in which the legs of the darling rider were swung, while his arms were clasped about Blondin's neck. His position was such that at the distance from shore to shore he could hardly be seen, and when the adventurers started upon their terrible journey, bets were freely exchanged among the spectators as to the side as to whether Blondin was alone or accompanied according to programme. He stepped out so briskly and firmly that it seemed impossible that his back was freighted with a living load. But as he advanced the rider became more clearly distinguished, and while all doubt disappeared the trembling anxiety of the workers on was painfully increased. About an eighth of the distance was travelled without any halt or sign of fatigue. Then Blondin came to a stop and Colcord, slipping his legs from their slings dropped his feet upon the rope and stood supporting himself with his hands upon Blondin's shoulders while the latter rested. The halt was perhaps of a moments duration, when Colcord again mounted to his seat—resuming it apparently with the utmost ease and aiding with all the self-possession of Blondin himself. After that the halts and resting spells were frequent the length of the journey and the weight of the load telling upon even that iron nerve and muscle of Blondin. Several times the spectators were terrified by seeing the rope tremble and sway from side to side and by apparent signs of exhaustion in Blondin. Whether these latter were assumed or real it was impossible to say, but especially at the centre where the rope is extremely fine and without guys he shook as it staggered in a manner to cause the at most nerved among the spectators to shudder and turn pale. The latter half of the journey was performed with fewer rests than the first, and the last stage was one of almost desperate length and Blondin was hot the cool performer [illegible], by an almost superhuman effort of determined will. When he was fairly upon terra firma among the pent up excitement of the crowd burst forth in deafening cheers and the wildest demonstrations, and the two heroes, Blondin and Colcord were seized and borne away upon the shoulders of the crazy multitude

It has been utterly impossible for us to give an adequate description of this most wonderful feat. An idea of its fearful consequences can neither be imagined or conveyed by words. The part Mr Colcord in the performance was to us wonderful as that of Blondin, and it seems belongs the greatest praise for courage and nerve as exhibited in the daring feat. Blondin had the courage of self to undertake it, being his, and his dependant exhibited the higher stage that of faith and confidence in another

The crowd present at the performance yesterday was certainly not less and probably greater than the largest collected at any time before. Twenty or more were carried for the city last evening at 5 hour were given [illegible] from Lockport and Rochester to attend to-day. [illegible] parties to witness the [illegible]

DEPARTURE OF THE TENNESSEE FALLS AT ROCHESTER.—Mr. Peters the ambitious citizen who would make Rochester the central coming of the Continent, Falls at Rochester by her steamer day. The Rochesterans are in ecstacy, and think that the Niagara Falls will be [illegible] after all their waters have halted. The *Democrat* says [illegible] the number of people in attendance, [illegible] in order to appreciate the greatness of the performance which the *Democrat* does not hesitate to pronounce more wonderful than Blondin's, we must give an account of the position, length, &c., of the rope. It was stretched from the cars of a train on the west side of the river just above the brink of the high falls to the city to a point on Falls Field on the opposite side of the river some distance below the falls. The saw on stands upon the brink of the cataract and the cords are about twenty feet above the edge of the precipice. The car of Falls Field at the [illegible] where the other end of the rope is secured, is at least thirty feet above the falls, and the deflection of the rope is not far from fifteen feet from a straight line between these points. The falls are not only [illegible] in height so that the lowest point of the rope must be elevated one hundred and ten feet above the water

The distance across cannot be far from seven hundred feet. The rope passes obliquely over the falls and is walking it from east to west the performer is obliged to [illegible] and directly over the principal sheet of water a feat which might well appal a man of weak or unsteady nerves

Of the feat itself but a brief description is given there was no title to describe although an entire column is devoted to the great affair. We can add to [illegible] the *Democrat's* account without any condensation. "He had proceeded but a short distance, when it became apparent that the rope was not properly guyed. It swayed from side to side with a sort [illegible] motion, and to no great an extent as to excite lively apprehension even among the coolest of the spectators. But Mr Himself seemed to be affected less than anybody else but he evidently felt it necessary to use great caution. Once or twice he was obliged to stop short, but he never lost his balance for a moment and maintained throughout the utmost self possession. Some expected to see him sprall as he reached the shore of water pouring over the rocky precipice but he did not, although his position was apparently one of extreme hazard. He walked calmly over the roaring [illegible] and was received on the [illegible] with [illegible] leaping cheers of the multitude who watched his progress. He remained on the roof of the building not far from five minutes and then started on his return. About half of the way across he suddenly dropped astride of the rope, and there extended himself at full length on his back, after which he recovered his upright position again, and after sitting a few seconds dropped on his breast. He then rose to his feet and stood on one leg for some time. Resuming his walk, he speedily regained the east bank and was received with the tokens of applause. Several individuals became so much excited that they seized him and carried him on their shoulders off the ground"

Well, there was not much of it to be sure, but it satisfied and delighted the good people of Rochester and we are rejoiced for their sakes that they have succeeded in getting the dinosaur crossed. A repetition of the show is advertised for next Tuesday

The enjoyment of the performance was slightly marred by the thunder storm that was experienced here that afternoon. The "eighteen or twenty thousand people" were exposed to the pitiless drench nearly an hour. They would not give up seeing the "spectacle," and stood their ground manfully and womanly until it was over. The *Democrat* says—

"Millinery goods suffered to a frightful extent, and the total damage in this particular must have amounted to several thousand dollars. Gaily dressed women who came upon the ground in the full glory of fashion, presented in many instances a most woeful and bedraggled appearance. Their clothes hung limp and damply about them, while bonnets, feathers and fancy trimmings generally, were soaked beyond the hope of recuperation"

COSMETIC INFORMATION.—A competent authority says that those little black headed excretions of lymph in the pores of the skin upon the face which are vulgarly known as "flesh worms," and which are so troublesome to many people, may be got rid of, and prevented from returning, by washing with tepid water, by proper friction with a towel, and by the application of a little cold cream. The longer these little corks are permitted to remain in the skin, the more firmly they become fixed, and after a time, when they lose their moisture, they are converted into little bony spines, as dense as bristles, and having much of that character.

Another friend of good looks says that freckles can generally be removed without using cosmetics by merely stimulating the absorbent vessels of the skin to take them up and carry them away as refuse. One of the best and easiest to apply lotion made of a tea-cupful of soured milk and a small quantity of scraped horse radish, let this stand from six to twelve hours, then use it to wash the parts affected twice or thrice a day.

STEAM ON THE CANAL.—At Syracuse, Saturday, there were no less than three canal steamers—the Island Queen, the R. S. Sperry and the J. W. Norcrom.

BUFFALO HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY.—REPORT OF FRUIT COMMITTEE FOR AUGUST 16. Your Committee *pro. tem.*, in the absence of the Committee *de facto*, respectfully report.

It is with much pleasure we have examined the excellent varieties and specimens of apples, pears, grapes, raspberries, &c., exhibited this day, the whole forming a very superior display. Of pears there were 18 varieties, mostly summer fruit. Among which were Rostiger, (very fine) Tyson, Bloodgood, Dearborne's Seedling, Manning's Elizabeth, &c. Apples 12 varieties, among which were very fine specimens of early harvest, Yellow Bough, Williams' Favorite, Keswick Codlin, Red Astrachan and others. There were also peaches, viz Red and Yellow, rare ripe contributed by Mr. Jas. Houghton of Cleveland. Also grapes, Chapelot, do. Fontaine Clean, from Mr. J. B. Eaton, and five bunches of Royal Muscadine, from the vinery of W. B. Coppock.

Your committee witness with great pleasure the increased interest manifested by the members and citizens generally, in sustaining and controlling these semi monthly exhibitions. Notwithstanding the severe thinning by the frosts of the 4th and 12th of June, there is a large crop of pears. These with other autumn and winter fruits are destined to make the most imposing show for September the Society has ever had

Mr Jas Houghton, of Cleveland, who furnishes our market largely with peaches—grows extensively the Isabella and Catawba grapes—cultivating some ten acres of vineyard, and having kindly contributed to our exhibition some samples of his wine, the society merged themselves into a "committee of the whole house," when were discussed the merits of his Catawba and Isabella wine, which upon a satisfactory test was declared some 10th most excellent; whereupon, President Williams brought forth a sample of his famous grape current champagne which needs no eulogy from us. Its sparkling and rich bouquet spoke for itself. These wines are unadulterated with foreign spirit and are therefore free from those pernicious qualities generally found in wines at large.

Mrs G C Vaughn exhibition currant wine 3 years old, unadulterated with spirits. It was declared most excellent.

The premiums of the day were for apples and pears—summer varieties—and declared as follows.

APPLES

Best 12 specimens of one summer variety (early harvest) to J B. Eaton $1.

Best 6 specimens each of 8 varieties—Williams favorite—yellow bough, early harvest, to J B Eaton $2

PEARS.

Best 12 specimens of one summer variety (Rostiezer to D S Manley $1

Best 6 specimens each of 8 varieties, (Manning's Elizabeth Bloodgood, Tyson,) D S Manley $2

W. R. COPPOCK,
JASON SEARS,
JAS. HOUGHTON,
Committee.

The list of entries having been already published are here omitted

JNO. B. EATON, Rec. Secy.

THEATRE.—The versatile actress Miss Sallie St. Clair has already made herself a favorite with those who have seen her. She is pretty and talented, and in comedy and light characters has not many superiors. But she has a voice and physical power for the higher efforts of the drama, and is not able to execute with sufficient vigor and strength, where she designs most admirably. It is much to be regretted that she does not possess the physical qualifications for tragedy as she displays remarkable ability and taste in her modelling of a character and in the style of her action. Her Lucretia Borgia the other evening was finely conceived, and in some of the scenes there were splendid flashes of fire but the representation lacked the power and force of which her voice and physique is its capable. But in comedy she is at home. Inelligent characters she displays the same artistic taste and talent, and is able to realize her aims.

She has had being so much a stranger rather small houses since her engagement but we trust that the public will ere no longer be so [illegible] her merits. This evening she appears in "Dr Dove" Dot as Bianca, Cassio &c.

RAPE.—Christian Shafbrook, a German living on Pine Hill whose arrest last Thursday upon a charge of rape was noticed by us at the time was yesterday brought before Justice Bidwell, when the case examination and was fully committed for trial. The complainant against him failed to make her appearance at the court the testimony had been required, and it is said that she has been taken to New York and that several gentlemen of the city as well as her husband, are concerned—her [illegible] the object being to defeat the ends of justice by leaving the country of her evidence

She is a young married woman named Elizabeth Noland about eighteen years of age. In her complaint she were most positively to the commission of the [illegible] and there was [illegible] the guilt of the accused. But a move was by the husband of the wronged woman apparently to have been induced to forgive and forget the injury and to assist in accelerating the criminal. It is said that he spoke to Shafbrook the other day informing him that he had been paid many dollars and considered the matter settled and that [illegible] appear against him. The matter has a very [illegible] and now that all the witnesses are true it will be likely to escape seriously for a number of parties

FAST AS THE CARS.—Quite a tumult was created a few mile[illegible] and Tonawanda, [illegible] passenger train. The [illegible] the affair [illegible] full car. A party of professional [illegible] and [illegible] Character Book [illegible] some of the seats [illegible] occupied by a lady and gentleman. One of these gentlemen, who was a seated that his back was toward the [illegible] upon the window sill over the back of the seat and [illegible] the [illegible] under and upon being requested to remove [illegible] some thirty after being [illegible] upon the shoulders of the gentleman, who [illegible] to all appearance and a reply was [illegible] Keep [illegible] shoulders at home." A very short [illegible] ensued during which Mr Pugilist [illegible] to become aware [illegible] his hair [illegible] mouth and was badly bitten. Meanwhile [illegible] the man who [illegible] suit he Mr [illegible] tender [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]